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(*b*) whether this amount continues to be with the Revenue Department after the merger of Pudukkottai with Madras; and

(*c*) if so, why?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—" (*a*) No irrigation cess was collected by the Revenue Department of the former Pudukkottai State except a cess of eight annas per acre on the ayacut of the tanks, in respect of which the irrigation cess was to be levied. The cess of eight annas per acre was collected to recoup the amount spent for the maintenance of such tanks, and credited into the Treasury under Personal Deposit Account No. 112 for their maintenance. The amount outstanding in the Personal Deposit Account on 1st January 1949 was Rs. 15,982-10-1.

" (*b*) & (*c*) The amount continues to be in the Personal Deposit Account No. 112 and steps are being taken to issue authorization to the Huzur Treasury, Tiruchirappalli, for opening a Personal Deposit Account in the name of the Collector of Tiruchirappalli and for transferring the amount to that account."

SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN :—" Is this amount put to any use, Sir? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU :—" Yes, it is likely to be put to some use."

Veterinary Dispensary for Kanhangad

* 739 *Q.*—SRI M. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal to open a Veterinary dispensary at Kanhangad in the Hosdrug sub-taluk, South Kanara district; and

(*b*) if so, when?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) & (*b*) The Government have sanctioned the opening of a Veterinary dispensary at Kanhangad in South Kanara district during the current financial year. The Director of Animal Husbandry is taking necessary action to open the dispensary."

State Judicial Service.

* 740 *Q.*—SRI V. R. KRISHNA AYYAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether the Government have any proposal to introduce written or *viva voce* tests for the selection of subordinate judicial officers, civil and criminal?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" It is presumed that the Member refers to District Munsifs and Subdivisional Magistrates included in the Madras State Judicial Service. Recruitment to this Service is made at the level of District Munsifs on the basis of a competitive examination comprising